



***Mark & The Master:  
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**Mark 12:28-34**

**August 31, 2014 Kemptville CRC**  
***"Love the Lord your God.... and your neighbor."***



- How is the Q/A session in this passage different from the others in Mark 11 & 12?
- "If you look for me wholeheartedly, you will find me." (Jeremiah 29:13)  
How is this prophetic promise illustrated in this passage?
- How do we promote spiritual seeking and questioning?  
How might we (unconsciously) shut down spiritual seeking and questioning?  
When was the last time you did some serious spiritual questioning?
- Does it surprise you that Jesus doesn't reference the 10 commandments in his ministry – ever?
- The Christian life and truth:
  - What's the context in which Jesus is speaking?
  - How many people do you know that have been hurt by truth-defenders?
  - How many people do you know that have been hurt by love-sharers?
  - *"The Christian Reformed Church was born in schism and raised in schism."* How do you think this heritage has shaped our capacity to practice generous love?
  - Consider: Ephesians 4:15; 1 Timothy 1:5; Hebrews 10:23-25
- Love: a noun or a verb? What might that mean?
- Jean Vanier on components of true love:
  1. Reveals value in the other person.
  2. Understands that other person.
  3. Communicates with the other person.
  4. Celebrates the life of the other person.
  5. Empowers the other person.
  6. Lives in community with the other person.
  7. Practices forgiveness with the other person.How might these show up as we a/ Love God? b/ Love others?

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